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Examiner: J. Song

For: MULTILEVEL STORAGE NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE  
ENABLING HIGH-SPEED DATA READING AND HIGH-SPEED DATA WRITING

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Sir:

Attached is a copy of the Filing Receipt received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-referenced application. It is noted that the CPA filed on date is incorrect on the Official Filing Receipt. Attached is a copy of the Return Postcard and Transmittal Letter, which evidences that the CPA filing date should appear as: 11/27/2001

It is requested that a corrected filing receipt be issued.

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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing  
(Only for Continuation or Divisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(d))

Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, DC 20231

Attorney Docket No.: 49657-586  
First Named Inventor: Yuichi KUNORI  
Examiner: J. Song  
Group Art Unit: 2187

This is a request for a Continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(d).  
(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/469,497, filed on December 22, 1999,  
entitled MULTILEVEL STORAGE NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE ENABLING HIGH-  
SPEED DATA READING AND HIGH-SPEED DATA WRITING.

NOTES

*FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b) and filed on or after June 8, 1995, or (2) the national state of an international application in compliance with 35 USC 371 and filed on or after June 8, 1995.*

*C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).*

*EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.*

*ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 USC 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.*

*35 USC 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 USC 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).*

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
  - a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
  - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
  - a. ☐ PTO-1449
  - b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

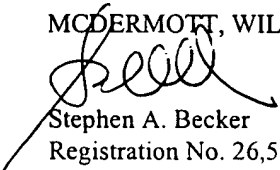
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Total Claims	12	-20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1	-3	0	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
Basic Application Fee					\$740.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$0.00					\$0.00
Total Application Fee					\$740.00
Petition for Three Month Suspension of Action					\$130.00
<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$870.00</b>
<b>AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 500417</b>					<b>\$870.00</b>

6. Small entity status:
- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.
  - b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
  - c. ☐ Is no longer claimed
7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 500417;
- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
  - b. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
8. To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.
9. ☒ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1.03(c) for a period of three (3) months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
10. Additional Attachments:
- a. ☐ Petition For Extension of Time
  - b. ☐ Other:

NOTE: The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below.

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☐ Transmittal Letter

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Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ pages of Specification

\_\_\_\_\_ pages of Claims

\_\_\_\_\_ pages of Abstract

\_\_\_\_\_ pages of Formal/Informal Drawings

☐ Information Disclosure Statement

Form PTO 1449

\_\_\_\_\_ copies of cited references

☐ Preliminary Amendment

☐ Response to Missing Parts Notice

☐ Certified Copy of Priority Doc

☐ Claim for Convention Priority

☐ Verified Statement of Small Entity Status

☐ Transmittal of Issue Fee: Form PTO 85b

☐ Maintenance Fee for \_\_\_\_\_ years after grant

☐ Notice of Appeal ☐ Appeal Brief

☐ Recordation of \_\_\_\_\_ Patent \_\_\_\_\_ Trademark

☐ Response/Amendment to Office Action of \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Other ☐ Petition for three month suspension of action \_\_\_\_\_

Assignments/Security Agreements/ \_\_\_\_\_

Petition to Commissioner for \_\_\_\_\_

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